

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
DEFENCE
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:744

ANSWERED ON:18.07.2002

ALLOCATION OF BUDGET FOR DEFENCE

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Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:

- (a) the percentage of Defence spending as a proposition of the Central Government expenditure during the last three years;
- (b) the amount utilised against the budget allocation made for defence during the last three years and the current year; and
- (c) the reasons for not utilising the allocated amount during the last three years, if any?

Answer

MINISTER OF DEFENCE (SHRI GEORGE FERNANDES)

(a) & (b): The total final allocation of funds for Defence spending in proportion to Central Government expenditure and the amount utilized is given in the attached Annexure.

(c) The main reasons for not utilizing the allotted amount during the last three years were non-finalisation of certain contracts and non-materialisation of supplies against some contracts. The detailed reasons are given in the Appropriation Accounts Defence Services for the respective years laid on the Table of the House.

ANNEXURE REFERRED TO IN THE REPLY GIVEN IN PARTS (a) & (b) OF LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 74
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Statement showing Actual Defence Expenditure and as a percentage of total Central Government Expenditure

(Rs. in crores)

Year	Final Defence Allocation	Actual Defence Expenditure	Defence Expenditure as % of Central Government Expenditure
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1999-2000	47614	47071	15.79
2000-2001	51351	49622	15.24
2001-2002 (RE)	57000	Accounts not yet closed	15.64